2010 RIM-WRP Partnership Overview

- A. Changes made to RIM-WRP forms document (Excel Workbook)
 - 1. Acreage Eligibility Calculator upland to wetland ratio changed from 4:1 to 8:1 to reflect policy changes at BWSR.
 - 2. Easement Payment Calculator Worksheet payment rate changed from 135% to 125% to reflect BWSR Board decisions.
 - 3. Evaluation Worksheet Section I B, divisions for number of basins and acres changed to be consistent in listing. Ex. 3 4 and >=5.
 - 4. Evaluation Worksheet Section III, eliminated question F to reflect changes to wildlife habitat map
 - 5. Added an additional payment calculation sheet to be used for land located in more than one township
 - 6. Developed an application process to deal with applications scoring below 75.
- B. Instructions for Wetland Evaluation Worksheet
 - 1. Updated wildlife benefits map
- C. Timeline
 - 1. Developed timeline for 2010 RIM-WRP Sign-up

Application Details

- A. The application submission deadline is May 21, 2010. There will be no exceptions to this deadline. The preferred method for submission is through posting on the MN NRCS SharePoint Site at the web address below. All forms and documents should be scanned and posted to the site. Hard copies will be accepted; however they must be received in the MN NRCS State Office by COB May 21st.
- B. When mailing applications send two (2) complete original application packets attention Myron L. Taylor.
- C. Post or mail applications as they are completed. Stockpiling applications only slows down the review process by NRCS and BWSR state staffs. Follow your respective area policy for forwarding applications for consideration.
- D. Send all applications to the MN NRCS State Office. For applications scoring below 75 refer to the checklist for documents to submit with the application.
- E. Saving and Naming Instructions Scan all application documents (maps and all supporting documentation) and save them as one PDF document. For naming use the county name, landowner last name and use a sequential number starting at one (1) and increasing with each application for that county. Ex. Steele_dewey_1, steele cheatem 2, steele howe 3.
- F. **SharePoint Site and upload instructions** Once you have clicked on the link below and the page opens you will be able to save the location in your Internet Explorer favorite's folder.
 - a. <u>2010 RIM_WRP Applications</u> Location to upload applications, to upload applications click on the link above and select upload. A browser window will open up and you will be able to navigate to the location on your server or computer where the scanned application documents are saved.
 - b. 2010 Sign up Materials Location of all documents to complete RIM-WRP applications